

No parole for man who killed son in Placerville

Parole was denied this month for a man convicted of murdering his 14-year-old stepson in 1985.

Robert Kaser shot his wife and two stepsons with a .45 Cal semi-automatic handgun at their home in Placerville.

Ehren died from his wounds three days after the Aug. 17 melee. Myles, age 12, and his mother, Priscilla, survived.

El Dorado County Assistant District Attorney Joe Alexander and the surviving victims and Ehren's family appeared at the State Board of Prison Terms hearing. Alexander argued that Kaser had not adequately addressed his anger issues and that Kaser's repeated claim that the shooting was the only act of violence he ever committed was untrue. Alexander presented the board with multiple examples of other acts of violence that Kaser committed prior to the murder, including proof of his threatening behavior toward co-workers and prior acts of violence directed at juveniles. The surviving victims and family of Ehren argued that Kaser was still a danger to them, and that he had never shown remorse or taken responsibility for the crime he committed. The board was also provided with more than 100 letters in opposition of his release.

The board denied Kaser's request for parole, citing his lack of insight into the reasons why he committed the murder, as well as his lack of rehabilitative efforts in the area of anger management and domestic violence. Kaser will be reconsidered for parole in three years.

This was the eighth time he has been denied parole.

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